

# Join the Youth Advisory Committee



*Make a Difference!*



## What is the purpose of the Youth Advisory Committee?

The purpose of the **Youth Advisory Committee (YAC)** is to serve as the prominent voice representing the youth in our community. As a group of dedicated teenagers, YAC focuses on tending to the recreational, leisure, and social needs and interests of young people.

### What do Youth Advisory Committees do?

- **E**ncourage teen leadership and responsibility through involvement.
- **E**xplore and identify issues and concerns of special importance to teens and communicates those issues to Park and Recreation Commission.
- **L**ooks for ways to promote mutual understanding, respect and communication with teens of all cultures and backgrounds.
- **C**reate new youth and teen programs.
- **O**rganizes special events to serve the needs of the teens in the community.
- **D**eveloping **C**ommunity **A**ssets: Involving youth in leadership roles for planning, implementation, and evaluation of programs and creating opportunities for youth to build assets among their peers and young children



"Roofless" Band Concert



Centennial Recreation Center  
in Construction



Outdoor Movie Night



YAC Retreat

## Okay, so how do I become a YAC Member?

To qualify for one of the nine Board Member positions or to be an Associate Member, you must be:

- **A** resident of the City of Morgan Hill.
- **B**etween the ages of 13-19.
- **W**illing to commit time and energy (about 6-8 hours a month for meetings and committees).
- **W**illing to represent the youth of Morgan Hill by talking with them, listening to them, and sharing their thoughts and ideas at the monthly YAC meetings.

**Applications** are submitted to the Recreation & Community Service Department for consideration and appointment. Board Member recruitment normally begins in May and the term begins in July unless a vacancy occurs prior to the term expiration. Terms of office are for two years (one year if you are a senior in high school). All Morgan Hill teens who wish to make a difference and be a voice of the youth in the community are encouraged to apply.

YAC ATTACK  
(Animal Balloons  
Team Building  
Workshop)



YAC Members  
In Action



Cultural Dance Show



Project Cornerstone's  
Neighborhood Connections



# YAC Members

Have attended and participated in:

- League of California Cities Conference
- Quarterly Community Service Projects
- Grand Opening of the Interim Skate Park
- Grand Opening of the Community and Cultural Center
- Grand Opening of the Centennial Recreation Center/Teen Center
- Adoption of the Skate Park

## Community Services



## YAC ATTACK



Ethic Workshop with  
the City Manager



CRC In Construction



League of California  
Cities Conference

# YAC Annual Events

- Youth and Teen Recreation Programs including on going Teen Activities at the Centennial Recreation Center, Teen Center
- Annual Fourth of July Parade
- Annual Youth & Teen Fashion Show
- Annual Senior Citizens Ball
- Annual "Roofless" Band Concert
- Annual Youth Leadership MH
- Annual Art a la Carte event
- Annual Taste of Morgan Hill
- Regional YAC Attack Youth Conference
- Presentations before the City Council, Parks and Recreation Commission, Library and Senior Advisory Committees



Open Mic Night



Roofless Band Concert



Skate Jam



Cultural Dance Show